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Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless -

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

Claims 10-14 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being clearly anticipated by Salomon.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.

Claims 1-9 and 15-30 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Gill et al.

Gill et al. teaches a computer system with chassis 160 and information display module 130 that moves between an open and retracted position (see, for example Figs. 2 and 1).

Resilient member 178 comprises torsion springs which bias the display module towards the retracted position. Outer guide housing 106 receives the LCD module and comprises a retraction assembly (see, for example, Figs. 5 and 7) to which the LCD module is pivotally attached. The outer guide housing is located in a horizontal plane generally perpendicular to the vertical front of the computer system. Gill et al. lacks the teaching of the computer system specifically being a

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server, however discloses a monitoring system for a plurality of computers. A server is by definition "a computer running administrative software that controls access to the network and its resources" Microsoft Press Computer Dictionary. The monitoring system including a cabinet or chassis with multiple computers being controlled therein operates in a similar fashion to a server controlling access to a network. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to provide a retractable LCD module in a server as taught by the computer monitoring system of Gill et al. to provide visual output from the server and to save space for storing the display module. With respect to the method claims the display module of Gill et al. inherently conserves space in the structure as claimed. With respect to the floppy drive and CD drive assemblies, it is noted that these are conventional components of computer systems. As seen in Fig. 12 of Gill et al. the display monitor is pivoted to an open position which blocks the front of computer 340. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art for the computer 340 of Gill et al. to contain a floppy drive or CD drive as being conventional computer components. Any components located within computer 340 would be blocked by the display module of Gill et al. as seen in the open position. In the retracted position the LCD module of Gill et al. is horizontal and thus perpendicular to the front of the housing.

The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. Note the display devices of Kawasaki, Otsuki, Schlemmer, Moss et al., Schaerer et al., Bertagna, Landrum et al. and Moore et al.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to L. Feild, whose telephone number is (703) 308-2710.

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L. Feild Primary Examiner June 11, 2002

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